

TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

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460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505

NOTICE OF PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE

DOCKET: 97--00309

IN RE: BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s Entry into Long Distance (InterLATA) Service in Tennessee Pursuant to Section 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

DATE: August 5, 2002

Pursuant to Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 1220-1-2-.12, the Pre-Hearing Officer has scheduled a Pre-Hearing Conference in the above-captioned proceeding for **Tuesday, August 6, 2002, at 8:30 a.m.** in the Hearing Room on the Ground Floor at 460 James Robertson Parkway, Nashville, TN. The purpose of this Pre-Hearing Conference is to consider the August 2, 2002 offer propounded by ACCESS Integrated Networks, Inc., ITC DeltaCom, Inc., Dieca d/b/a COVAD Communications Co., Birch Telecom of the South, Inc., Ernest Communications, Inc., AT&T Communications of the South Central States, and MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc., and discuss this offer with all parties.

This Pre-Hearing Conference will be conducted in accordance with the Tennessee Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, Tenn. Code Ann. §4-5-101 *et seq.* All parties are entitled to be represented by counsel.

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FOR THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY:

Deborah Taylor Tate, Pre-Hearing Officer

cc: Parties of Record